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HARDING ASKS I.C.C. TO REVISE FREIGHT RATES

President Visits Board For Conference, Urging Claim.

TRAFFIC CHARGES HALTING BUSINESS

Commission Inclined to Agree with Rail Executives.

Following hard upon the labor board's \$400,000,000 reduction in the wages of railroad employes President Harding took a significant step yesterday in the direction of effecting a reduction of freight rates, upon which he deems a reof business is largely de-

The President descended unexpectedly upon the interstate commerce commission, asked for a conference with its members and when they had assembled broached a discussion of the rate reduction propo-

Mr. Harding was informed that the commission is directing its efforts to rate reductions which rep-resent inequalities, but he did not conceal his conviction that the lowering of transportation charges should be more general and radical than apparently are contemplated by the commission at this time.

Will Meet Opposition.

Although the move of the Presi-dent is regarded as significant of his determination to take the aggressive in forcing rates down, it is evident that he has formidable opposition to overcome. The cabinet agrees with the President that prohibitive transportation rates largely account for the stagnation of business and the continued high of the necessities of life.

Chairman Clark, of the interstate commerce commission, and Senator Cummins, chairman of the senate committee on interstate commerce, agree, however, with the railroad executives who contend that rates executives who content that reached cannot be reduced generally until it has been proved that railroad expenses can be cut to a point assuring an adequate return on the investment.

Belief that rate reductions nat-urally would follow wage reduc-tions is not supported by facts, ac-cording to the carriers. Until there is a substantial increase in traffic even a \$400,000,000 wage reduction will not produce anywhere near the

President Harding walked from the White house to the quarters of the interstate commerce commission, two blocks away. He was eion, two blocks away. He was accompanied by his secretary, George Christian. The President was ushered at once to the office of Chairman Clark. The President told the chairman that he wished to meet the members of the mission. The opportunity was af-forded at once and the President talked informally with members of the commission for more than half

Questions Rate Revisions

The President explained that he had called because he recognized that the commission was the rate-making agent of the congress and that inasmuch as he had the official right to communicate with congress he wanted to communicate directly, although informally, with agent of congress in railroad

During the conference the President made special inquiry concerning the progress of the commis-sion in revising numerous rates where the last horizontal increase had put a burden on commodities which the traffic would not bear. One of the specific things which the President had in mind was modifica-tion of the fruit-carrying rate, concerning which there had been so much complaint in the west. He was assured, by Chairman Clark that modification of this rate was inormally under consideration by the ommission at the present time.

Labor Asks Rate Cut.

The attitude of railroad labor on the wage reduction yesterday apparently depended in a large measre on whether the wage cits are If rates are decreased, railroad lathey predict dissatisfaction, if not revolt, among the men.

trainmen, in commenting on the cut. Union chief will assemble in Chionsider the cut.

leclares he won't reduction what-full speed ahead ever is ru nin, full speed ahead with his the lammed, said Lee "But if wa, are cut, rates should be cut corn speedingly," he added. This represented the attitude of other labor chiefs, who believed rate cuts might reduce itying costs for

are to receive less

Editor Chosen



SCOTT C. BONE, Whose nomination as governor of the territory of Alaska was forwarded to the senate yester-day by President Harding, was formerly editor and publisher of The Washington Herald, and directed the publishty for the republican national committee during the last campaign.

GIRL TAKES POISON TO DIE; ANOTHER LEAPS FROM PORCH

Pretty Warworker Leaves Series of Notes to Friends.

Two women took their lives last ternity or sorority, which has not been approved by the superintendent of schools, shall thereby disqualify swallowing an ounce vial of carbination, organization, organization, club, trails association, organization, organization, club, trails association, organization, o bolic acid in apparent love desperation, the other leaping from the brigade third floor of the Emergency hospital three hours later, 12:06 a. m.

Gertrude Esta Trotter, pretty Monmouth hotel, swallowed the carbolic acid while sitting on a to stand for election to any class park bench on the north side of office.

Was Second Attempt.

within three days, Mrs. May Ricci. 51 years old, of 1319 Eighth street northwest, unguarded for two min-utes, leaped from the rear porch of the Emergency hospital on the

Cooley, sales manager of the Washington Motor Exchange, residing at 719 A street southeast, at 8 o'clock to meet her at Seventh and F streets northwest. Cooley said last night. He said he told Miss Trotter he would not meet her. No threat was made by the girl at that time. he said.

Left Four Notes.

Half an hour later Miss Trotter Haif an hour later Miss Trotter purchased the carbolic acid at a downtown drug store. Four letters found on her body are believed to have been written by the girl between the time of the purchase and her final act. The first letter read:
"To the Public:
"My sanity is with me to the end. I do not wish the public to think I do not wish the public to the senior class.

do not wish the public to think committed suicide in a fit of in-anity. I do this deliberately. GERTRUDE TROTTER."

The second letter, addressed to ev. M. P. J. Egan, of St. Patrick's

Dear Father: Thanks is to small a word to extend to you for the kindness you have shown me during my stay in Washington. I know it is wrong to go to Christ without permission, but I kno He is merci-ful. GERTRUDE TROTTER. In her missile to Cooley, Miss

Trotter wrote: Dear Bill: I love you.
inderstand. Be a good boy.
PEGGY. Dear Bill: I love you. I hope you

P. S.—Always think kindly of me. The fourth letter to Mrs. M. B. Denny, evidently a sister, in Au-

gusta, Kans.: Dear Mary: I love you and LesGERTRUDE.

Offers No Explanation.

Cooley, who has been married for two years and is living with his leaders here indicate, the cuts eral occasions, always with others be accepted quietly. Otherwise in the party, but did not know her said he had been with her on sevintimately. Friends of Miss Trotter

> Miss Trotter came to Washington three years ago from her home in Augusta, Kans., police say. She had been employed in the state depart-ment. She was very pretty and

ate commerce investigating physicians in the operating room, yesterday as-

GIVES DEATH BLOW TO 21 SOCIETIES

Thousand Students Said To Be Affected by

Members of high school fraternities in the District are given the choice of withdrawing from mempership in secret organizations of losing studeht activity privileges or official recognition other than for mere scholastic purposes, in an edict issued yesterday by the board he Franklin school.

raternities are in existence in the ive local high schools including embership of almost 1,000 students

Board Takes Action.

association, organization, club, fra-

VEIL OF MYSTERY

SURROUNDS PAST

Expensive Research Fails

To Throw Light on

Her Early Life.

nd conditions. The hearing on the

bill for temporary alimony has been continued until next Wednesday. continued until next Wednesd pending the expected affidavits.

So far the researches have dis-closed Pergy's past, before she married Everett A. Archibald in 1910, is a dark and deep mystery.

and that her parents' name was tupton, but a search of Norfolk birth records have failed to reveal any information on the subject.

Army Officer Identified.

NEW YORK, June 1.-Identity of

he army officer named as a suicide

herburne Philbrick Hopkins, she

it was said that the only suicide there in 1918 was that of Lieut. Alexander McClintock, of Lexing-ton, Ky., who shot himself June 28.

warrant in the high school cade! either elective or appointive, on any

3. From representing his school or 20-year-old stenographer in the any team in competitive athletics, rifle matches, inter-scholastic debates or dramatic performances. 4. From being certified as eligible

park bench on the north side of the ellipse, dying ten minutes later in the Emergency hospital.

5. From holding any position in a high school bank.
6. From holding any office in any

the board of education. Fear Loss of School Spirit.

school.
"We will have very little trou ble, as we expect to form a fra-ternity council, which will co-operate with the school officials and increase our spirit," Reginald

After saying that a majority of cadets at Eastern are fraternity men, Capt. W. R. Miller, who won the competitive drill this year, de-clared that "the action would have a serious affect on the future stand-

of these organizations has in-creased 100 per cent since the rul-ing of expulsion came into effect.

Dr. Frank W. Ballou, superintend-

THE SO-CALLED "ENGLISH-SPEAKING" RACES ARE SPENDING ALL TOGETHR TOO MUCH TIME INDULGING THEIR BOASTED PREROGATIVE.

Route, the More It costs To Ride.

"The time was," said the oldest or six cars to pass before they are inhabitant, "when the 7 o'clock car, able to board one.
"To one who has studied econom-CHICAGO, June 1.—Who is or leaving the Soldiers' home gate at was—Peggy Joyce?

This question loomed today as one of the important features that may be brought out when the fair and expensive Peggy files her affinance expensive Peggy files her af sert the executives.

Thinks Cut Will Ald Traffic.

The president believes a rate reduction would increase traffic, but the residence in a believed attempt at suicide.

The president believes a rate of increase traffic, but the stagnation of business is due to causes more fundamental than transportation asserting that the stagnation of business is due to causes more fundamental than transportation park bench by Policeman R. C students of the Santa Pe, dwelt on this point senting figures to show that the transportation cost is only 2½ per cent of the price of col to the consumer.

President Harding walked from

Trace Justine Justin

Await Peggy's Answer.

Attorneys on both sides today were awaiting Peggy's answering affidavits, which will be made in New York. In them she is expected to deny in detail the charges of the last of her three husbands that she utilized her allowance of \$300.

The pegy's Answer.

tended westward on G street to receiver and an attempt was made to furnish motive power by the substitution of storage batteries for the overhead system to deny in detail the charges of the last of her three husbands that she utilized her allowance of \$300.

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tended westward on G street to receiver to the most people do not understand the merger question.

"The object of this merger is to add one good railway to one that its scarcely settled sections and its relatively long haul, a receivership was appointed in 1896 and the road operated under this receiver.

HAVE ANNOINCES she utilized her allowance of \$300.
000 a month to carry on affairs with the Prince de Felury, the Duc de Durcal, Joe Panl, a New York restaurant keeper; an army lieutenant who committed suicide, and several other men of various sorts and conditions. The hearing on the court."

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"Then," said the pioneer, "we be-

gan to have an epidemic of mergers. An act of congress authorized this company to change its name to the City and Suburban railway and acquire the Maryland and Washington and the Columbia and Washington Railways. "Which," volunteered the oldest inhabitant. "disproves the theory that you can't get something for nothing. And then, just as a little joke perhaps, congress pro-vided that they should install an underground system on all the city ines. The result of this little joke appears to be that the company again went into the hands of the General Hays announced yesterday receiver, who by this time must have acquired the habit of standing with his hands out for fear of first organized," said Mr. Hays, "it dropping one.

in divorce charges against Peggy Hopkins Joyce was learned today here, it was believed. Joyce, in papers filed in Charges Joyce, in papers filed in Chicago, charges that while Peggy was still the wife of her second husbane. But that is not all the City and Suburban railway together with the tions and the New York-Washing-Washington & Glen Echo line was acquired August 8, 1899, soon after Sherourne Philorea Hopkins, and acquired August 8, 1899, soon after was living in New York city with an unnamed United States army lieutenant. "who, due to her extravagañce and craving for jewels—ran into debt—and became involved and committed suicide at the Murray Hill Terkish baths in New York city in the fall of 1918."

At the Murray Hill baths today it was said that the only suicide the second second for the second suicide wo roads with a par value of \$1,968,000.

"Before we recovered from the series of mergers we were known

ENGLAND PLANS MILITARY DRIVE IN SOUTH IRELAND

LONDON, June 1.—A British colonel was shot and killed and an enlisted man was killed by a bomb explasion in the day's incidents of the Irish rebellion.

Col. Pencock was assassinated by civilians at his home in County Cork.

An official communicate threw a bomb in Blessingto

LONDON. June 1.-The British vernment is preparing for a final nilitary drive in the south of Irewar to the annihilation of Sinn Fein, or peace obtained through the threat of war, whichever the south

the southern parliament refuse to was begun. take the oath of allegiance, and therefore refuse to function under as a stockade and more than 2.00 the home rule bill, battalion after battalion of British troops will be ferried across the channel, pouring ing turned into prison camps.

The race war broke out last Ulster, driving into the hills, combing the hills for rebels, and staging a short, sharp, and probably deci-

Size of Army Kept Secret.

During the past few weeks Irish warfare has been developing rapwarfare has been developing rap-idly into more highly specialized, and in motor cars for an hour, and and more efficient methods of at-a great crowd of whites gathered and more efficient methods of at-The government, for example, has brought into action a new armored car especially designed to counter-act Sinn Fein ambushes, and so constructed that it reduces to a minimum the danger from road mines tack.
with which Sinn Fein has lately As been livening up the campaign.

Cars Nearly Bomb Proof.

or ten men.

One feature is a machine gun attached in front of the machine. Its sides are loopholed to permit the firing of rifles from within. The crew will also be supplied with hand grenades with which to drive the attackers from their trenches. Trap doors at the bottom of the cars permit exit or entrance of the crew. The equipment in the control of the cars the c crew. The equipment includes two long planks to enable the machine to cross roads where ditches have been cut.

As Two Strikes Impend

HUNDRED LIVES LOST IN TULSA **RACE WARFARE**

Fire Losses Estimated at Over Four Million After Riots.

SHOOTING KEPT UP DURING AFTERNOON

TULSA, Okla., June 1.-Martial law prevailed in bullet-swept Tulsa tonight with order restored under the grim threat of four companies of state troops. Twenty hours of desperate race rioting had destroyed \$4,000,000 worth of property and razed the entire negro section.

The city, blood-drenched and blackened by incendiary fires, was beginning to take care of its dead, believed to be at least 100. Nine whites were shot to death. Sixtyfive negroes are known to be dead.

Maj. Charles W. Daley, of the police force, this evening estimated the dead at 175. He believes a number of negroes were burned to death when their homes were swept

Two thousand negroes have fied from the city as a result of flerre race rioting, which held the city in its grip late last night and through the early hours this morn-Dawn broke in Tulsa this morn-

ing with the city an inferno of race hatred. A night of terror, marked by the rush of armed men through the streets and frequent clashes by frenzied whites and negroes, brought a steadily mounting death list and increased violence.

Martial law was declared at noon.

Gov. Robertson issued the order by telephone from Oklahoma City. The

armed bands which have been roving through the city have been or-dered dispersed. All persons not deputized as special officers were ordered to disarm by Mayor T. D.

Firing Keeps Up.

While comparative quiet reigned this morning after the frenzy of the carly hourrs had been cooled, there is sporadic firing. Scattered firing was heard in various parts of the city late this afternoon.

The fire which raged in the negro section all morning was confined to that district, although white residence sections were imperiled by the flames.

The negro section of Tulsa, lying in the northeast part of the city.

in the northeast part of the city, roughly forms a letter "L" extending a quarter of a mile long east and west, and from a half mile to a mile north and south. It is esti-mated that about 10,000 of the 13,-000 negroes in the city live in this

State Troops Arrive.

State troops under Adj. Gen. Barrett arrived this morning and im diately strong cordons were thrown out in the affected dis 2 ts and the rounding up to negroes by armed white men.

Convention hall was being used park and other places also are beterday of a negro for an alleged at-

The negro was taken to the court house and later placed in jail, which

The first shot was fireed at 19 o'clock Tuesday night in the street at the corner of Sixth and Boulder, when 200 armed negroes who had been parading the streets on foot about the courthouse steps, nearly all of whom were unarmed. The negroes had paraded past the courthouse repeatedly apparently in the belief that the whites intended so lynch the negro accused of the at-

As the minutes passed the white. men obtained a few guns and betude themselves.

Finally a verbal altercation be-tween the factions began. Sunden-ly a shot rung out and instantly th-firing became general and the crowd scattered in caste while the

rendering by the score before the advance of the whites and conditions were growing more serious

Houses were entered, one at a Premier Hurries to Rome the streets and the men who failed

to surrender immediately shot down.

The fire, started by mobs of MILAN. June 1.—Premier Giolitte is hurrying back to Rome from Cavour, where he was resting following the death of his wife, owing to the grave situation occasioned by the demands of the state employes. They are asking increases which they are asking to the control of the control

dozen airplanes overhead. It was reported that some of them were carrying aitroglyceripe bombs such as are used by oil well shooters.

were at a loss to explain were at a loss to explain the were at a prostrated.

> Shortly after Mrs. Ricci, on the to receive less
> Rea, of the a testifying be
> Rea special nurse, her body was heard to thud against the basement ent for not pay-Burke and Fred Reed, a visitor at ance claims at the hospital, who saw the body

BOARD FORBIDS MEMBERSHIP IN SCHOOL 'FRATS'

Pupils Must Withdraw or Lose Activity Privileges.

Decree.

Although the decree of the board rescinds the ruling of 1919 ordering dismissal from school of all members of secret organizations, the terms of the order were received yesterday by student leaders as a death blow to high school fraternities. It is estimated that 21 secret

The following action was taken by the board yesterday:
Any pupil, who, after June 1, 1921,
or after October 1, 1921, has not discontinued his membership in any

. From holding any position school publication

organization, club or activity which comes under the direction of the 7. From receiving any form of onors, other than those awarded

exist contrary to the regulations of

School leaders last night ex-pressed opinions that if such action were enforced, it would take the life out of school spirit. Alvan Parker, president of the general organization at Tech High school, declared "the action would

Allan Davis, principal of Buşi-ness high, said the ruling would have little effect there as the fraternities are not active in that

rad. president of the senior class at Western high, said.

rd of the cadet corps.

is believed that the number Initintes Beaten with Clubs.

ent of schools, says he intends to enforce this new ruling. In his report to the board he said: enforce this new runner. In miss report to the board he said:

"One father of a hish school boy who was recently initiated into a fraternity asserts that the chief feature of the initiation was been for the maintain was part of the was known he was in leave from Camp Dix, besides being the first of the was known he was peniless and had overstayed his leave from Camp Dix, besides being the first of the Washington Railway and Electric company which owns and Electric company which owns as part of the Washington Railway and Electric company which owns as part of the Washington Railway and Electric company which owns as part of the Washington Railway and Electric company which owns as part of the Washington Railway and Electric company which owns as part of the Washington Railway and Electric company which owns as part of the Washington Railway and Electric company which owns as part of the Washington Railway and Electric company which owns as part of the Washington Railway and Electric company which owns as part of the Washington Railway and Electric company which owns as part of the Washington Railway and Electric company which owns as part of the Washington Railway and Electric company which owns as part of the Washington Railway and Electric company which owns as the Electric company which owns and Electric company which owns as the Electric company which owns as the Electric company which owns as the Electric company which owns and Electric company which owns as the Electric company which owns as "One father of a high school boy

Oldest Inhabitant Relates Lurid History of Car Lines

DARLING'S CARTOON

OF PEGGY JOYCE Says the Greater the Traffic on Brookland

System Absorbed Again.

NEW AIR MAIL CUT

Retained in Plans for

Coming Year.

For reasons of economy and op-

eration difficulties all the air mail

routes except the trans-continents

line from New York to San Fran-

cisco will be abandoned. Postmaster

"When the air mail service was

was planned that it would be

rapidly extended in various direc-

the southern part.

Hundreds of Armored Cars Will Support the Troop Movement.

County Cork.

of Ireland elects to choose. If the newly elected men

ve conflict.

That much is authoritative. How big an army England intends to send in, and what units are to be send in, and what units are to be like closely guarded by send in, and what units are to be sent, are facts closely guarded by light until noon today, when the government. But undoubtedly last engagement was reported. the entire garrisons from Ulster will be sent south, joining with contingents, from England and recorder truesday night in the sent south. placed in the north by con-

routes were to be parts of airways that would extend from the north-A hundred of this new type of cars are already in Ireland, and six more are sent over every day. They carry almost a ton of maganese ern part of the United States to the southern part.

"At present, due to the need for economy and lack of necessary appropriations no further extension of the air mail service is possible, and on that account the department does not feel justified in attemption to continue operating these steel plate, and are as close to bomb proof and bullet proof as they ing to continue operating these short routes, which are very expen-sive and do not materially improve

Cavour, where he was resting fol-lowing the death of his wife, owing It has been learned that the murdered woman has relatives at a
West Virginia mining camp known
as Desooca, and an effort is being
made to locate them.

House Passes Graham Bill.
The Graham bill authorizing the
consolidation of telephone systems

The dereads of the state employes the demands of the state employes are asking increases which will involve the expenditure of 900.

They are asking increases which sheriffs in an effort to save the white residential district.

A touch of modern warfare was is threatening is that of the school teachers, who apparently have decided to walk out on the eve of the carrying nitroglycerine bombs such size.

State Troops End Inferno Of White and Black Armed Clashes.